

EXHIBIT 5

Fwd: Suspension of the sex offender groups and termination of the Second Change Act grant

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Date: Monday, September 21, 2020, 08:54 PM CDT

On September 21, 2020, I received the email above and below from Dr. Hattie Wash dissolving the Second Chance Act grant #2018-CY-BX-0025. As Dr. Wash and I talked about her giving up the program, after I discovered her misappropriation of funds or fraud and talked to her about it, Dr. Wash told me since I was going to report this to DOJ, BJA, OJP I could take the program. I sent the email, with this statement from Dr. Wash, to DOJ, BJA, OJP's Mr. Dever, Mr. Bethea, and Ms. Willis. Therefore, I am requesting C.L.I.C.K. Services, NFP become responsible for the grant to its end on September 30, 2021.

There should be no barriers or reasons why I cannot take over the grant. Dr. Wash and I wrote the proposal. I am the Program Director. I created all of our collaborative partners for this grant. Dr. Wash and I created and developed the curricula for this program. I know every part of this program. I partnered with Dr. Wash on this grant. Dr. Wash and I decided she would be the fiduciary and I would handle the day-to-day operation as the Program Director. It was my understanding we were equal partners. Dr. Wash just handled the flow of money for the grant. Read our SCA abstract and proposal for this grant, which is attached.

As reported in our abstract and proposal (pp. 17-18) (attached), EMAGES, Inc & C.L.I.C.K. Services, NFP collaborated and partnered for this grant. I am more than capable of finishing out this grant. This move by Dr. Wash is retaliatory in nature toward me for filing the 3 Whistleblower complaints with the Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, and the U.S. Office of Inspector General for misappropriation of funds or fraud. As I have stated in my Whistleblower complaints, my employment is protected by the Whistleblower Act. My Whistleblower complaints are attached.

Dr. Wash's dilemma with her funding from the State of Illinois is not the first time this has happened to EMAGES. EMAGES has closed programs before because of Illinois State funding. There is no reason this grant cannot continue to move forward under the direction of C.L.I.C.K. Services, NFP (www.clickservices.org). Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 is funded. I can still work with the Illinois Department of Corrections (post-release prison) and the Cook County Department of Corrections (pre-release jail). I am in the process of creating and developing a 90-day transitional house for sex offenders. I can run the grant from this project. The housing program is being created under C.L.I.C.K. Housing, Inc. My 'brief' housing project proposal is attached. I created this proposal for Illinois and Chicago legislators seeking support for my housing project. Congressman Davis has given me a Letter of Support for my housing project, which is attached. I can provide more details in line with a regular SCA proposal for how the program will work if necessary.

The reasoning Dr. Wash uses for giving the grant back is ludicrous. Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 is funded and is not affected by the lack of Illinois State funding Dr. Wash alludes too. The grant funding covers participant cost because there is no participant cost. The grant covers contractual fees for all mentors and staff of the grant, which is listed in the grant budget. Our budget takes care of office space and other ancillary functions and needs. Dr. Wash is lumping the grant program in with her State dilemma to retaliate against me for filing my Whistleblower complaints. The only reason Dr. Wash is giving the program back to OJP is to hurt me for filing the 3 Whistleblower complaints.

WHEREFORE, I am requesting a teleconference audience with Mr. Michael Dever, BJA Division Chief; Mr. Andre Bethea, BJA Senior Policy Advisor; and Ms. Tracey Willis, OJP Grant Manager; or in the alternative, a transfer of responsibility for Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025. Please respond. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Hattie Wash** <washhattie@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Sep 21, 2020 at 7:28 PM

Subject: Suspension of the sex offender groups and termination of the Second Change Act grant

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The Covid-19 Pandemic, the Shelter in Place Mandate by the State of Illinois, less than 15% of sex offender clients paying their fees as well as EMAGES not receiving a payment from the FY21 State budget which began July, 2020 has created an economic hardship and cash flow problem for EMAGES.

Given the above Effective October 1, 2020 EMAGES is suspending our sex offender groups and returning the Second Chance Act grant back to the Office of Justice Programs. Additionally, Staff in the substance abuse programs work week will be reduced from a five day work week to a four day week. If funding is not received before October 1, 2020, I will not be able to meet EMAGES October 1, 2020 payroll for the substance abuse program and the sex offender group facilitators.

I have scheduled a ZOOM meeting for Thursday September 24, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the above changes and address any concerns you may have. Please let me know if you are unable to attend the meeting.

You will receive a ZOOM login number tomorrow.
Dr. Wash

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SCA Abstract.pdf
8.9kB



SCA Proposal.pdf
93.5kB



8.31.20 90 Day Transitional Housing Proposal.pdf
128.7kB



4.17.20 1st Whistleblower Complaint.pdf
1MB



8.29.20 2nd Whistleblower Complaint.pdf
98.6kB



9.13.20 3rd Whistleblower Complaint.pdf
121.6kB



1.24.20 Congressman Davis Letter of Support for Transitional Housing.pdf
76.5kB

Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 Whistleblower Act Misappropriation of Funds and Fraud

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Date: Sunday, November 22, 2020, 04:10 PM CST

This is a continuation message from November 15, 2020, as if fully stated herein.

On September 21, 2020 Dr. Wash sent an email to all EMAGES, Inc. staff, all Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 consultants, and to Dr. Nance stating, in part, "...The Covid-19 Pandemic, the Shelter in Place Mandate by the State of Illinois, less than 15% of sex offender clients paying their fees as well as EMAGES not receiving a payment from the FY21 State budget which began July, 2020 has created an economic hardship and cash flow problem for EMAGES. Given the above Effective October 1, 2020 EMAGES is suspending our sex offender groups and returning the Second Chance Act grant back to the Office of Justice Programs...."

Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 has nothing to do with EMAGES receiving funding from the State of Illinois or EMAGES sex offender attendance. Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 is fully funded. Since Covid-19 became an issue in March of 2020, Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 was teleconferencing with the sex offender at EMAGES meeting our goals of 75 participants enrolled in the program. The percentages quoted of 15% by Dr. Wash had nothing to do with Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025. Dr. Wash gave Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 back to the Office of Justice Programs in retaliation against Dr. Nance for filing 3 Whistleblower complaints against her with the Office of Justice Programs and others; terminating Dr. Nance's employment thus violating the Whistleblower Act.

In October of 2020, EMAGES, Inc. and Dr. Wash continued holding teleconferencing groups with sex offenders. EMAGES, Inc. and Dr. Wash held sex offender groups via teleconferencing on November 16th, 17th, 18th, and 21st, 2020. Check the EMAGES, Inc. telephone logs, and Dr. Nance's cell phone logs. Dr. Nance called in to 978-990-5000 with access codes 480001# and 581625# on each of the days mentioned above except for the Tuesday group (11/17/20). The Tuesday group uses another means of teleconferencing as they did when Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 was still active. Each group has been in session since Dr. Wash issued the false statement to DOJ, BJA, OJP, SCA Consultants, and Dr. Nance, and the email of September 21, 2020.

This is the same group of participants who were enrolled in Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025. Dr. Wash informed DOJ, BJA, OJP, Tracey Willis, Andre Bethea, Michael Dever, and the consultants of Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 she was suspending all her sex offender groups due to the Coronavirus on October 1, 2020. Dr. Wash used this claim to give Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 back to DOJ, BJA, OJP.

DOJ, BJA, OJP accepted this false claim prompting Dr. Nance to lose his employment; thus creating the claim by Dr. Nance of retaliation and termination, which violates the Whistleblower Act. Dr. Nance has filed a Federal lawsuit #20-CV-06316.

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Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025

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Date: Saturday, November 28, 2020, 11:19 AM CST

Good afternoon. EMAGES, Inc. is still holding teleconferencing groups, which I am listening to now, Saturday November 28, 2020, via their weekly conference call at 978-990-5000, conference line 581625#. I am listening to the regular participants who were attending the teleconferencing for this grant. Ms. Gerri Taylor is facilitating this EMAGES group. Ms. Gerri was not a consultant on this grant. Ms. Gerri works the Saturday group with Daniel Jean who was the clinical supervisor for this grant. Ms. Gerri informed the clients/participants on this call today that EMAGES, Inc. is closed on Thursday and Friday. Our participants for this grant attended 2 groups on Monday, and one group on each of these days - Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday. As our implementation plan reports, we provided 5 groups at EMAGES, Inc. Notwithstanding, we had made arrangements with the Cook County jail to provide teleconferencing services before Dr. Wash bogusly gave this grant back in retaliation for the filing of my Whistleblower complaints.

Ms. Gerri is Dr. Hattie Wash's sister. This is her regular Saturday group at EMAGES, Inc. A client is talking about the upcoming group Monday reporting he will be absent and needs to make up the group. Ms. Gerri is stating Dr. Johnson is conducting one of the Monday groups. Dr. Johnson was not a consultant on this grant.

I cannot mention the clients/participants names in this open email but you can review and compare the attendance sheets for this group, and the list of participants attending groups for this grant, which you have the list or can get access from Dr. Wash.

Listen to the Monday group, November 30, 2020, starting at 6:30 pm using phone number 978-990-5000, conference lines 480001# and 581625#. The names you hear of participants attending the groups will match the names of participants who attended groups for this grant.

As you know and have been informed via my email communication, Dr. Wash informed the consultants of this grant, Mr. Dever, Mr. Bethea, and Ms. Willis she was giving Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025 back to DOJ, BJA, OJP due to the coronavirus, which was a lie. Teleconferencing was our avenue of providing services during the coronavirus. Our DOJ Technical Advisor, Mr. Willis, knows we were providing teleconferencing to the participants of this grant. Mr. Willis asked us if we wanted to adjust our service delivery for this grant due to the coronavirus. I sent Mr. Dever, Mr. Bethea, and Ms. Willis Dr. Wash's email stating we did not have to change or adjust anything because we were providing teleconferencing to our participants.

Check the telephone logs and the signed attendance sheets of the 5 groups at EMAGES, Inc. Dr. Wash gave the grant back retaliating against me for filing Whistleblower complaints and DOJ accepted Dr. Wash's request terminating my employment, which violates the Whistleblower Act of 2013. I am leaving this Saturday group teleconferencing call now after being on the call for 42 minutes.

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Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2020, 10:24 AM CST

Mr. Dever:

Thank you Sir. Someone should have contacted me. I canceled other meetings to attend this one. Have a blessed and wonderful day.

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On Tuesday, December 1, 2020, 10:18:03 AM CST, Dever, Michael (OJP) <michael.dever@usdoj.gov> wrote:

Good Morning Dr. Nance,

Tracey contacted Dr. Wash several weeks ago to say that she will need to re-schedule the in-depth monitoring review of the award until early January. I don't believe a specific date has been set yet.

Michael

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Subject: Grant #2018-CY-BX-0025

Ms. Willis:

When does the meeting start? I have joined pursuant to your email at 10:00 am (CST). Please respond. Thank you.

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